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# and Suarez Shot to Death on Way to Penitentiary

#### TRAINS COLLIDE HEAD ON, KILLING RICHMOND MAN

Blunder of Operator Washington Realizes It Murder and Anarchy Sends Them Together on Southern.

ENGINEER COGBILL | CANNOT IGNORE KILLED IN CAB

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which form it was handed over to Con-ductor Atwell.

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compiled by Claim Agent E. D. Lock-erby, of the Southern Railway, who

Joel Yates, Richmond, colored por-

S. Owens, Richmond, fireman on 13, slight bruises.

The injured were given medical at. of his administration.

Branch, has been in the service of the No. 3, one signal company from Fort Southern Railway for more than sev- Leavenworth, the Fourth Mountain Southern Railway for more than seventeen years and is said to have a high reputation for accuracy and strict observance of duty. He declined to make a statement last night beyond saying that he didn't know how the thing happened. The original order that he gave to Conductor Atwell is now in the hands of local officers of the company and will be introduced in evidence at the investigation.

Damage to the trains was practically confined to the two locomotives and to the tender and baggage car of No. 8. Both the baggage car and tender the said to the tender and baggage car and tender the said to the tender and baggage car and tender the said to the tender and baggage car and tender the said to the tender and baggage car and tender the said to the tender and baggage car and tender the said to the tender and baggage car and tender the said to the tender and baggage car and tender the said to the said to the tender the said to the said the sa

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one and all loft the cars and attempted to lend a hand in the relief work.

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steel. He had been crushed in the impact and had been scalded by escaping steam. Engineer Durvin, who caught sight of the northbound train two car lengths away, had applied the brakes and jumped.

Dr. E. R. Jefferson, a colored physician of this city, the only doctor on either of the trains, treated the injured man with the limited facilities at hand. He improvised splints from pieces of wood lying about, using newspapers for binding. He was assisted by a trained nurse whose name could not be learned. She produced a hypodermic syringe from her handbag and admired the successful employment of the successful employment of

any prospective demand, the Goneral brother, Jose Perez, and Seporita regined nurse whose name could not a learned. She produced a hypoder-nic syringe from her handbag and administered a local anesthetic. She ren-troops in a campaign of invasion. Al-(Continued on Second Rage)

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### TRAGIC EVENT ADDS GRAVITY TO SITUATION

Is Step Nearer Intervention.

ITS OBLIGATION

Misrcading of Jetersville for Jen- Result Will Be to Hasten Military and Naval Preparations for Service in Mexican Republic-Little More Can Be Done Without Action by Congress.

Southbound train No. 13 and northbound train No. 8, on the Richmond
division of the Southern Railway, met
in a head-on collision at 12:34 o'clock
yesterday afternoon near Jenning.
Prince Edward County, causing the
death of Engineer W. L. Cogbill, of
this city, and seriously injuring Engineer T. M. Durvin. None of the 100
or more passengers on both trains sustained more than minor bruises.

A mistake in issuing train orders to
Conductor A. T. Atwell, of No. 8, it is
said, was the direct cause of the accident. Station Agent E. H. Chalkley,
of Drakes Eranch, was instructed by
the dispatcher to hold No. 8 at Jenning. In some manner that has not
yet been explained, the order was interpreted by Chalkley to read Jeters
ville, a station seven miles north, in
which form it was handed over to Conductor A tived!

Will Hasten Preparations.

Probably the immediate result will be to basten the military and naval proparations, in order to have the soldiers and sailors and marines ready to answer a call for instant embarkation if further developments in Mexation if further developments in Mexation

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Injured Brought to Richmond.

The first news of the accident reached Richmond shortly after 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon in a message from Conductor Atwell, who walked and ran to Eurkeville, four miles from the seene of the wreck. Jenning has not telegraph office, and Burkeville was the nearest point of communication.

A relief train was fitted out within twenty-five minutes after the receipt of the news in Richmond and hurried to the scene, forty-nine miles away. It returned to the city at 7:45 o'clock last night, bearing the body of Engineer Cogbill, the wounded engineer of No. 13 and all the northbound passengers that were stalled at Jenning.

Engineer Durvin, whose right leg had been broken, was placed in a waiting ambulance and taken to St. Luke's Hospital revealed no further injuries and small likelihood that he was hurt internally. The body of the dead engineer was removed to an undertaking the executive would not proceed, ex-

ternally. The body of the dead en-gineer was removed to an undertaking the executive would not proceed, ex-cept upon direct instructions from Concept upon direct instructions from Congress, as the exhibition of military compiled by Claim Agent E. D. Lock-proposed for the Southern Railway, who accompanied the relief expedition, folcan be directed only by Congress.

Matter Must Go to Congress. ter on No. 8, cut over the left eye.

T. W. Eldridge, 2011 Albany Avenue,
South Richmond, flagman on No. 8, to communicate with Congress through cut on the right temple.
S. F. Pace, Jr., Danville, baggagemaster on No. 13, cut on the head.
I. S. Owens, Richmond, fireman on
President, though having considered the preparation of such a message, has R. H. Threat, Richmond, colored fire-nan of No. 8, bruises sustained in umping from train.

been reluctant to forward it, and prob-ably will not do so unless graver events happen in Mexico in the remaining days

The injured were given medical attention by Dr. George A. Arhart, of Ainella, and Dr. J. H. Young, of Burkeville, who reached the scene after the accident, and by Dr. E. R. Jefferson, of Richmond, who was on the northbound train.

Investigation to Follow. Investigation to Follow.

No statement with regard to the cause of the accident could be observed to the cause of the accident could be observed to the cause of the accident could be observed to the cause of the accident could be observed to the cause of the clements that make up to the cause of the cau tained last night at the local offices only one brigade of troops, namely of the Southern Railway. It was gencrally admitted, however, that it was commanded by Brigadier-General Fred-caused by a mistake in train orders crick A. Smith, and comprising the originating at Drake's Branch. An Fourth, Seventh. Nineteenth and Twenofficial inquiry into the matter will ty-eighth Regiments of Infantry, D Company, Second Battalion, Engineers, Station Agent Chalkley, at Drake's Field Hospital and Ambulance Corps

at Fort Benjamin Harrison, der telescoped under the impact. Both dianapolis; the Twenty-sixth Infantry, engines were wrecked, but did not at Fort Wayne and Fort Brady, Mich. and the Twenty-seventh Infantry, at

Fort Speridan, Ill

According to John Mitchell, Jr., of this city, who was a passenger on No. 8, the collision was attended by little confusion. The locomotives locked horns without warning, and the passengers were hurled from their seats. One and all left the cars and attempt-Infantry at Plattsburg Barracks, N. Y. It also is possible that orders will be issued eventually to the Fourth Cavalry Brigade to rendezvous at Gal-

## TO KILL ENEMIES IS CARRIED OUT

Let Loose in Mexican Republic.

RUMORS OF MORE ASSASSINATIONS

Only Martial Law Prevails, and Opposition to New Regime Which Overthrew Madero Will Be Drained in Blood. Jails Are Being Filled With Suspects.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) Mexico City, February 23.—A reign of terror has been inaugurated. Francisco I. Madero and Jose Pino Suarez, deposed President and Vice-President of the republic, have fallen—shot down in cold blood during a midnight ride from the National Palace to the penitentiary.

Felix Diaz's threat of last night-

"We will use such energetic means as to put an end to rebellions for-ever"—has been followed by swift execution.

Murder and anarchy have been let loose to cement the work of the revolution. The Maderistas and all other opponents of the military dy-nasty which has been established are to be exterminated. Opposition to the Diaz-Huerta regime is to be drained in blood. Martial law alone prevails. The jails are being filled with suspects. There are rumors of other official assassinations.

Shock Civilized World. The events of the past twenty-four hours in this flag-bedecked capital, where there is seeming peace and order, have been such as to shock the

The official explanation of Madoro's assassination and Suarez's is Front This Time Forth Republic Incoming Chief Will Hold Conders's assassination and Suarez's Is Front This Time Forth Republic Incoming Chief Will Hold Conders's Assassination and Suarez's Is Front This Time Forth Republic Incoming Chief Will Hold Conders's Assassination and Suarez's Is Front This Time Forth Republic Incoming Chief Will Hold Conders's Assassination and Suarez's Is Front This Time Forth Republic Incoming Chief Will Hold Conders's Assassination and Suarez's Is Front This Time Forth Republic Incoming Chief Will Hold Conders's Assassination and Suarez's Is Front This Time Forth Republic Incoming Chief Will Hold Conders's Assassination and Suarez's Is Front This Time Forth Republic Incoming Chief Will Hold Conders's Assassination and Suarez's Is Front This Time Forth Republic Incoming Chief Will Hold Conders's Assassination and Suarez's Is Front This Time Forth Republic Incoming Chief Will Hold Conders's Assassination and Suarez's Is Front This Time Forth Republic Incoming Chief Will Hold Conders's Assassination and Suarez's Is Front This Time Forth Republic Incoming Chief Will Hold Conders's Assassination and Suarez's Island Republic Incoming Chief Will Hold Conders's Assassination and Chief Will Ho twofold and contradictory. General Victoriano Huerta, the provisional President, swears that the killing was incidental to an attempt to rescue the two deposed officials. For-eign Minister Francisco de la Barra declares that it occurred because the two men attempted to escape. Neither will make a definite statement. It is impossible to obtain information as to which side began the

his head and emerged at the forehead.

Suarez fell, pierced by many bullets, most of which entered from the

The only witnesses were those actually engaged in the shooting. An international phase of the tragedy, which is causing great concern, is that these two officials were slaughtered after diplomatic representations bad been made by the ambassador from the United States in their behalf and assurances from Huerta that their safety would be guaranteed.

Ambassador Wilson is making an investigation. An official investiga-tion has also been started, and sol-

investigation. An official investigation has also been started, and solemn promises are made that the guilty will be punished.

Reports Not Believed.

It is simple truth to state that not one man in fifty in Mexico City toonight believes the official reports of the assassinations. The doctrine of "ley fuga" is being quoted on all sides—"fugitive law"—which is the unwritten law that has been invoked for centuries in Latin countries when the death of a prisoner is desired. Under it, the flight of a prisoner is facilitated, in order that he may be shot down in the attempt, after which it is recorded in the records that the prisoner was slain while "trying to escape."

In this manner Gustavo Madero

An official investigation and many helps were son of the faint est suspicion, are opposed to the hier threat emprased to the hier archy which has succeeded the Mudero administration. As has already been deministration, as has already been deministration, as has already been deministration, are opposed to the hier archy which has succeeded the Mudero administration. As has already been deministration, are opposed to the hier archy which has succeeded the Mudero administration. As has already been deministration. As has already been deministration. As has already been down in these democracy to a military dictatorship—called by court espace outlined in these democracy to a military dictatorship—called by court with the full assistance of a cabinet appointed by Dlaz, will are full assistance of a cabinet appointed by Dlaz, will are full assistance of the Poreign Affairs Committee, between courties, Mexico is palative. No one of these manuer to their talk with the President, with the full assistance of the reliations of the Noval Affairs Committee, between courties, Mexico is palative. No one of these manuer to succeed the Mudero administration. As has already been courties, Mexico is palative, and the full deministration outlined in these democracy to a military dictatorship—called by court.

No one of the Foreign Relation

rending incidents attended the discovery of the slaughter of the two officials. Senora Madero, heartbroken wife of the former President, manity. got the first definite news of her husband's death from the Spanish minister Senor Cologan y Cologan. Reports had before this reached her nat serious and unusual events had becurred. But a few hours before he had been on her knees to Huerta, begging for the life of her husband—for a sight of him—a word from him to enable her to sustain the suscense under which she was laborage. Huerta had turned her soldier. The word consequently has gone forth that all religious forth that there would be no Cabinet meeting, at least until the President's dimer to his newspaper friends in Washington had been concluded.

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by friends.
When the news came to-day of the tragedy, it reached her friends first, but they endeavored to keep it from For forty-eight hours she had There were fears for her not slept. reason, which have grown grave now, in the light of the day's develop ments. At last, when the tragic detalls could not longer be kept from her, she was told as gently as pos-sible that the end which she had

feared had come.

She fainted. Then, after having been revived, accompanied by her brother, Jose Perez, and Senorita Mercedes Madero, sister of the former President, Senora Madero drove Continued on Seventh Page,



# MUST BEAR BURDEN

Murder of Madero and Suarez Taft Shifts Responsibility of First Move in Program of Blood.

Mexican Situation to President-Elect.

Will Be Naught But Armed Camp.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Mexico City, February 23.—AFTER
THE REVOLUTION, THE REIGN OF

in which the assassinations are de-scribed. It is but the beginning.

Murder and anarchy have displaced revolution and re-establishment. There

Within the next lorizonal loriz is safety for no one save those who share the good will of the military junta which has seized control of the government. To intrench itself in power, this element has resolved upon measures which will depend Mayid. is safety for no one save those who share the good will of the military power, this element has resolved upon measures which will drench Mexico in blood. Further resistance to the powblood. Further resistance to the pow-er now in control is to be stamped out Taft repeated to friends on the train

The Words of Diaz.

"trying to escape."

In this manner Gustavo Madero was disposed of the other day. Now Francisco Madero and Senor Suarez are added to the list.

The most dramatic and heart
The most dramatic and heartsistance to the will of the government:
or until some steps have been taken
from outside of Mexico to stop the car-

This is the exact situation as it is outlined by friends of the new Mexican dictators, speaking under their direct inspiration:

consequently has gone il political agitators shall forth that all political agitators shall be dealt with summarily, all bandits hunted down and exterminated, and all resisting communities wiped out. it is declared, will be established, even at an incredible amount of bloodshed, which will purge the country of dis-turbing elements for a generation to People to Have No Voice

People to Have No Voice.

In the meantime, all efforts to give the people a voice in the government will end. For years to come, under this plan, there will be an abandonment of any attempt at giving the people freedom which, it is held, they are unable to appreciate. The clock is to be set back fifty years. There will be a return to all the iron-handed methods which characterized the early days of the reign of Porfirio Diaz. days of the reign of Portirio Diaz.

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Officials.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Washington, February 23.—It is learned to-night that President Taft

Neither will make a definite statement. It is impossible to obtain information as to which side began the firing—from which side came the fatal shots.

But Francisco Madero, riding in an automobile, with guards before and behind him, died from a single shot. A bullet entered the back of his head and emerged at the formal single shot with the formal single shot in the first net was to notify Secretary of War Stimson and Major-General Leonard behind him, died from a single shot. A bullet entered the back of his head and emerged at the formal single should be should be an automobile, with guards before and behind him, died from a single shot. A bullet entered the back of his head and emerged at the formal single should be should

that as long as the Mexicans con-"As for Zapatistas, bandits and out-laws, they will be stamped out to the this country should not interfere. last man."

It is considered highly probable that

when President-Elect Wilson takes the These are the words of Felix Diaz.

and the threat embraces all—"to the that Senator Cullom, of the Foreign last man"—who, by reason of the faint- Relations Committee; Representative

The news that Madero and Suarez mage in the interests of common humanity.

This is the exact situation as it is continued by friends of the new Mexicon. Wood hurried to the home of the Secretary of War and remained ther retary of War and remained there until it was learned that there would

> out the day, keeping constantly communication with Secretary Kn For many hours it was impossible get any confirmation of what was hap

pening in the Southern republic. This increased anxiety to such an extent that when word was received to th effect that Ambassador Wilson had himself been the victim of an assassin's bullet, the information was accepted as a fact.

Not even yet has any word been received telling whether or not the embassy was menaced during the most recent riot. The brief extracts from Ambassador Wilson's dispatch, given out at \$1.50 clock to night, merely re-cite that Madero and Suarez were

killed. fluerta's claim that there will be a judicial investigation, of the circum-Mexico will be a nilitary camp judicial investigation of the circum. For proof of the existence of this stances under which his enemies wer plan, one has but to read the message destroyed caused a smile among the

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#### THEY FALL VICTIMS TO BLOODY PLANS OF THEIR ENEMIES

Deposed Ruler of Mexico and His Vice-President Taken From National Palace and Slain, All Signs Pointing to Their Deliberate Murder.

OFFICIAL VERSIONS OF AFFAIR ARE NOT CREDITED BY PUBLIC

President Huerta and De la Barra Say Attempt at Rescue Was Made, and During Battle Which Ensued Men Were Killed, but Belief Is General That They Were Executed Under Ancient "Fugitive Law"--Guards Who Had Them in Charge Are Under Arrest, and Full Investigation and Punishment of Guilty Persons Is Promised-Country Deeply Stirred by This Latest Tragedy of Revolution.

(By Associated Press.)

Mexico City, February 23.-Francisco I. Madero and Jose Pino Suarez are dead. In a midnight ride under guard from the National Palace to the penitentiary they were killed.

The circumstances surrounding the death of the deposed President and Vice-President of the republic are unknown except as given in official accounts, which do not in all cases conform. The only itnesses were those actually concerned in the killing.

The provisional President, General Victoriano Huerta, says the killing of the two men was incidental to a fight between their guard and a party attempting to liberate them. The Minister of Foreign Relations, Francisco de la Barra, adds that the prisoners attempted to escape. Neither makes a definite statement as to which side fired the fatal shots. It is not impossible that neither knows.

An official investigation has been ordered to determine the reretribution in behalf of outraged bu
CLOCK SET BACK 50 YEARS HE WILL NOT INTERFERE sponsibility, and solemn promises have been made that the guilty An official investigation has been ordered to determine the rewill be punished.

Official Versions Regarded With Doubt.

Not unnaturally a great part of the public regards the official versions with doubt, having in mind the use for centuries of the notorious "ley fuga," the unwritten law which is invoked when the death of a prisoner is desired. After its application there is written on the records: "Prisoner shot trying to escape."

Senora Madero, widow of the ex-President, received the first definite information of his death from the Spanish minister, Senor Cologan y Cologan. She already had heard reports that something unusual and serious had happened, but friends had endeavored up to that time to prevent her from learning the whole truth.

Soon afterward, accompanied by her brother, Jose Perez, and Mercedes Madero, a sister of Francisco, Senora Madero drove to . the penitentiary, but was refused permission to see the body of her the next forty-eight hours, husband. Senora Suarez also was denied admittance to the mor-Hurry calls were also sent out for tuary, where physicians, in accordance with the law, were performing an autopsy.

Madero's Sister Is Dry-Eyed and Tigerish.

In contrast to the widow, whose grief was of a pitiable, silent character, expressed in sobs, Mercedes Madero, a beautiful young woman, educated in Paris, who has been a brilliant leader of society since the revolution of 1910, was dry-eyed and tigerish in her emotions. By the side of the two women whose husbands had been killed, the girl hurled accusations at the officers who barred the en-"Cowards! Assassins!" she called them, her voice pitched high.

The officers stared impassively.

"You! The men who fired on a defenseless man! You and your superior officers are traitors!"

No effort was made to remove the women, nor did the officers attempt to silence them. Senora Madero continued weeping, and the girl did not cease her hysterical tirade until the arrival of the Spanish minister and the Japanese charge, who came to offer their

The minister spoke with the officers in charge, but was told that on account of the autopsy it would be impossible for any one to see the bodies. Later in the day, they said, the request would be complied with. The diplomats then conducted the women away from the penitentiary.

Bodies Promised to Families for Burial.

Madero's father and Rafael Hernandez, former Minister of the Interior, and other friends made efforts early in the day to recover the bodies, and it was said this afternoon that the American ambassador, Henry Lane Wilson, had interested himself and secured the promise of Minister de la Barra that the bodies should be delivered to their families for burial.

The tragedy occurred shortly after midnight. Madero and Suarez, who had been prisoners in the National Palace since their arrest on Tuesday last, were placed in an automobile, which was accompanied by another car, and escorted by 100 rurales under the orders of Commandant Francisco Cardenas and Colonel Rafael Pimiento.

With instructions not to outdistance the escort, the cars moved slowly. No incident occurred until they had reached a point near the penitentiary, where, in an open place, the guards' attention was attracted, according to the official version, to a group of persons following. Shots were fired at the escort out of the darkness. The

rurales closed in and ordered the prisoners out of the car. Thirty of the guards surrounded the prisoners, while the remainder disposed themselves to resist an attack. About fifty men, some afoot and some mounted, threw themselves upon the detachment guarding the cars, and the exchange of shots lasted twenty minutes, when the attacking party fled. The dead bodies of Madero

and Suarez were then found. Only One Wound on Madero. The body of Madero shows only one wound. A bullet entered

the back of the head and emerged at the forehead. The body of Pino Suarez shows many wounds, entered from in-

Of the male members of the Madero family, only two now are in the capital. One is Francisco Madero, the father, who bitterly opposed his son's conducting a revolution in 1910, and rode across Northern Mexico in an effort to overtake and dissuade him; the other is Ernesto Madero, the former Minister of Finance, an uncle,

though only one year older than the late President. Gustavo Madero, a brother, was obliged to submit to the fugi-

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